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Dear Sir,

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POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
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PLEASE - Work whatever magic you can to stop this from occurring! Shutting down the small offices and some of the distribution centers will lower public support for the entire system. The postal system has been and needs to remain a main artery for our country.

I as well as many other residents, am a patron of the Shaftsbury, Michigan 48882 Post Office. This post office knit's the fabric of our community together.

Our community has had to come to the reality that our postal system will be radically altered in the very near future. This system has been a mainstay to our community as well as communities across our country.

By transferring some of the services this post office provides to a local car dealership or local quick-stop store, you have radically down-graded the importance of our postal service.

Perhaps I might make a suggestion. Many years ago, you were the absolute carrier of packages. Always dependable and naturally door-to-door. Instead of withdrawing services, it is well within your reach to increase parcel delivery based 99% on your past reputation. You are FANTASTIC when it comes to getting there on time and even better when the remote areas need your service. Without the convenience of the Shaftsbury Post Office, you will see decline in the parcel business you should be nurturing. It is still out there - embrace it!

Don't forget, carriers are the life line of the elderly. The domino effect will occur from closing our easy access to our local post office to next, our delivery service. The carriers - When the mail has not been removed from the box at the road, who checks to see WHY? No single person as often as the mail carrier! Let the public be reminded and keep your service healthy. You can do it.

Thank You for Your Time and Consideration of My Concern.
Listen to me; I am one of thousands that feel exactly the same.
They may not take time to write it but believe me, you are far more appreciated now than you will be once you facilitate you own decline.

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PS - I am rural, located directly between Laingsburg and Shaftburg, Michigan.